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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For (title): Fraud Resistant Electronic Coupon Dispensing System

1. Type of Application

This transmittal is for an original (nonprovisional) application.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10*
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2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s)

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.

3. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

37 Page(s) of Specification

07 Page(s) of Claims

07 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)—Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

01 Page(s) of Abstract

4. Additional Papers Enclosed

- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (37 CFR 1.98)
- ☒ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
- ☒ Citations

5. Declaration or Oath
Enclosed

Executed by:

- inventors.

6. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

7. Language
English

8. Assignment

An assignment of the invention to ON THE NET COUPONS.COM, L.L.C. is attached. A separate "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING NEW PATENT APPLICATION" is also attached.

9. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$690.00
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	20	- 20 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	03	- 3 =	0 x	\$78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+	\$270.00	
Filing Fee Calculation					\$690.00

10. Small Entity Statement(s)

Statement that this is a filing by a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is attached.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) \$345.00

11. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee \$345.00

Recording assignment
(\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. 1.21(h))
(See attached "COVER SHEET FOR
ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW
APPLICATION".) \$40.00

Total Fees Enclosed \$385.00

12. Method of Payment of Fees

Check in the amount of \$385.00, check no. 6798, is attached.

13. Instructions as to Overpayment

Refund.


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☒ Incorporation by reference of added pages

- ☒ Plus Added Pages for New Application Transmittal Where Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) Claimed

Number of pages added 1

- ☒ Plus Added Pages for Papers Referred to in Item 4 Above

Number of pages added 4

- ☐ Plus added pages deleting names of inventor(s) named in prior application(s) who is/are no longer inventor(s) of the subject matter claimed in this application.

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- ☒ Plus "Assignment Cover Letter Accompanying New Application"

Number of pages added 3

**ADDED PAGES FOR APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF
PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED****14. Relate Back**

WARNING: *If an application claims the benefit of the filing date of an earlier filed application under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 or 365(c), the 20-year term of that application will be based upon the filing date of the earliest U.S. application that the application makes reference to under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 or 365(c). (35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2) does not take into account, for the determination of the patent term, any application on which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119, 365(a) or 365(b).) For a c-i-p application, applicant should review whether any claim in the patent that will issue is supported by an earlier application and, if not, the applicant should consider canceling the reference to the earlier filed application. The term of a patent is not based on a claim-by-claim approach. See Notice of April 14, 1995, 60 Fed. Reg. 20,195, at 20,205.*

A. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)

NOTE: *"Except for a continued prosecution application filed under § 1.53(d), any nonprovisional application claiming the benefit of one or more prior filed copending nonprovisional applications or international applications designating the United States of America must contain or be amended to contain in the first sentence of the specification following the title a reference to each such prior application, identifying it by application number (consisting of the series code and serial number) or international application number and international filing date and indicating the relationship of the applications. . . . Cross-references to other related applications may be made when appropriate." (See § 1.14(a)). 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2).*

- ☒ "This application claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/144,532, filed on July 19, 1999."

15. Small Entity (37 CFR § 1.28(a))

- ☒ Applicant has established small entity status by the filing of a statement in parent application 60/144,532 on July 19, 1999.
- ☒ A copy of the statement previously filed is included.